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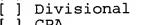
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Sir:

This is a request for filing a:

- continued prosecution application ("CPA") under 37 CFR 1.53(d)
- [X] continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

of pending prior application Serial No.09/085,668 filed on MAY 27,1998 of FRANCOIS MARTIN for METHOD OF SWITCHING VIDEO SEQUENCES AND CORRESPONDING SWITCHING DEVICE AND DECODING SYSTEM.

- Enclosed are copies of 14 sheets of specification and 4 drawing sheets (all of which constitutes the specification and drawing in this application) and the Declaration and Power of Attorney as filed in the parent application.
  - Amend the specification by inserting before the first line as a centered heading: -- Cross Reference To Related Applications --; and insert below that as a new paragraph --This is a [X] continuation [ ] divisional of application Serial No. 09/085,668, filed MAY 27, 1998.--
  - An appointment of associates is enclosed. [X]
- As last amended, the title has been changed to [ ]
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- [X] Priority of application SerialNo.97401160.3 and 97403137.9, filed on 05/27/1997 and 12/23/1997 in EUROPE, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- [X] The certified copy of the priority application was filed in prior application Serial No. 09/085,668.
- [X] This application is assigned to U.S. PHILIPS CORPORATION by way of the assignment filed in application Serial No. 09/085,668.
- [X] Address all future communications to Corporate Patent Counsel, U.S. Philips Corporation, 580 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, New York 10591.
- [X] A preliminary amendment to this application is enclosed.
- [] Enter in this application the amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 which was unentered in the prior application.
- [ ] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

[X] An Authorization Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3) is enclosed.

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## AUTHORIZATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 31.136(a)(3) AND TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Sir:

The Commissioner is hereby requested and authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply in this application requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

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